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SUBJECT: VISIT OF CUBAN VICE-PRESIDENT

1. CUBAN VICE-PRESIDENT CARLOS RAFAEL RODRIQUES, ACCOMPANIED BY ULYSSES ESTRADA, DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE AMERICAN DIVISION OF THE COMMUNIST PAARTY, ARRIVED IN KINGSTON MORNING OF MAY 3 FOR ONE DAY'S TALKS WITH PM MANLEY AND OHTER JAMAICAN OFFICIALS AND RETURNED TO HAVANA EVENING SAME DAY.

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS ACCOUNTS OF VISIT RODRIQUES MET PRIVATELY WITH MANLEY 2-1/2 HOURS IN THE MORNING. PRIVATE MEETING WAS FOLLOWED BY LUNCHEON AND ENLARGED DISCUSSIONS WHICH INCLUDED CUBAN AMBASSADOR TO JAMAICA, RAMON PEZ-FERRO; JAMAICAN AMBASSADOR TO CUBA, BEN CLARE; JAMAICAN MINISTER FOR NATIONAL MOBILIZATION, D. K. DUNCAN; JAMAICAN MINISTER MINISTER FOR YOUTH AND SPORTS, HUGH SMALL; JAMAICAN MINISTER OF STATE FOR PLANNING, RICHARD FLETCHER; AND DIRECTOR OF JAMAICAN NATIONAL PLANNING AGENCY, NORMAN GIRVAN.

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2. TALKS, ACCORDING TO SAME ACCOUNTS, CENTERED ON AFRICA (INCLUDING BRIEFING BY RODRIQUES ON CASTRO'S VISIT TO "FRONT LINE" STATES) AND VARIOUS BILATERAL QUESTIONS, INCLUDING CUBAN ASSISTANCE TO JAMAICA.

3. ARRIVAL OF RODRIQUES AT JAMAICA HOUSE FOR MEETING

WITH PM MANLEY ALMOST COINCIDED WITH DEPARTURE FROM JAMAICA HOUSE BY DEPUTY ASST SECRETARY LUERS FOLLOWING A MEETING WITH MANLEY. COINCIDENCE OF ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES NOTED BY PRESS HERE WITH SOME RATHER STRAINED EDITORIAL INTERPRETATIONS. LATTER BEING REPORTED SEPTEL.

4. COMMENT: VISIT WAS GIVEN NO ADVANCE BILLING BUT RECEIVED CONSIDERABLE MEDIA PLAY EVENING OF VISIT AND ON FOLLOWING TWO DAYS. JAMAICAN MINISTERS AND OTHER OFFICIALS WHO MET RODRIQUES AT AIRPORT AND HELD MEETINGS WITH HIM DURING THE COURSE OF THE DAY APPEAR TO HAVE BEEN SELECTED IN LARGE MEASURE FOR THEIR LEFTIST POLITICAL COLORATION RATHER THAN FOR THEIR PORTFOLIO RESPONSIBILITIES.
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